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MPLS NETWORK FAILURES

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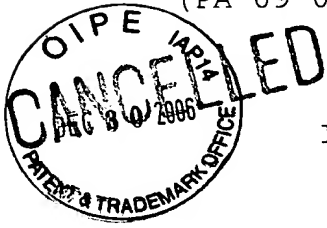
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RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed September 30, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejections of the claims and the objections to the Application in view of the following amendments thereto and/or the comments set forth below.